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- 1. IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SUBCOMMITTEE, TEN WESTERN AND NEUTRAL DELEGATIONS ATTACKED SWEEPING SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR CHANGES TO REGISTERED TEXTS INTRODUCED AT LAST SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AND REPORTED REFS A AND B. MAJORITY OF TEN DELS ATTACKED SOVIET PROPOSAL ON GROUND THAT REOPENING POINTS OF SUBSTANCE IN REGISTERED TEXTS UNACCEPTABLE AND COULD HAVE UNFORTUNATE EFFECT ON CONFERENCE AS A WHOLE. MOST STATEMENTS OBVIOUSLY ON INSTRUCTION. SOME WERE VERY STRONG, E.G., SOVIET PROPOSAL "COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE" (UK) OR "DESTRUCTIVE" (BELGIUM). CANADA SAID EXTENSIVE REOPENING OF TEXTS ON SUBSTANTIVE POINTS AT ODDS WITH POLITICAL STATEMENTS MADE RECENTLY AND CONCLUSIONS OF COORDINATING COMMITTEE.
- 2. SOVIETS OBJECTED THAT SOME TEXTS AFFECTED BY THEIR PROPOSAL WERE ONLY REGISTERED IN BRACKETS, BUT IN REPLY WEST ALLUDED TO CONFIDENTIAL

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FACT THAT BRACKETS PUT THERE BY ROMANIANS FOR TACTICAL REASONS

RELATED TO OTHER ISSUES. SOVIETS TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO STEER DEBATE TO SUBSTANCE OF THEIR PROPOSAL.

3. US REMAINED SILENT PER INSTRUCTION REF C SINCE WE WERE NOT PRESSED BY SOVIETS OR OTHERS. SEVERAL DELS NEVERTHELESS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN US INTENTIONS BEFORE MEETING, PRESUMABLY BECAUSE WE WERE COSPONSOR OF WESTERN TEXT. SUBCOMMITTEE WILL HAVE ONE FURTHER MEETING BEFORE EASTER RECESS. DALE

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